

PATENT AF **RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116** EXPEDITED PROCEDURE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant

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Sir:

The three month response period for responding to the outstanding Office action of May 7, 2004 expired on August 7, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions and requests a three (3) month extension of time to extend the response period from August 7, 2004 through November 8, 2004. A check in the amount of \$490 is enclosed to cover the extension of time fee for a small entity.

In response to the Office action of May 7, 2004, paper no. 6, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract are reflected on page 7 of this paper and includes a replacement abstract on page 10.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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